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OHIO MAN INDICTED FOR POSSESSION, INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE COCAINE, METH

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that an Ohio man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for possessing with intent to distribute cocaine and methamphetamine.

Gary Wayne Deaton, 42, of Greenfield, Ohio, was charged in a three-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Springfield.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Deaton** possessed with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine on Oct. 19, 2004, in Greene County, Mo.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Deaton** possessed with intent to distribute five grams or more of crack cocaine on Oct. 19, 2004, in Greene County.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Deaton** possessed with intent to distribute methamphetamine on Oct. 19, 2004, in Greene County.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Robyn L. McKee. It was investigated by the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in this indictment are simply accusations and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

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